

IN THE CLAIMS

1 (Previously Presented). A steam kettle lid assembly, comprising:

an elongated arm movable between an upward position and a downward position, a downwardly extending boss positioned at an intermediate point along the arm, the boss including a pin receiving opening therein, the arm having a first end located away from the boss;

a lid including a centrally positioned projection extending from an upper surface thereof, the projection including a pin receiving opening therein, the projection positioned within the boss of the elongated arm with the pin receiving opening of the boss aligned with the pin receiving opening of the projection, the lid including a condensate rim extending from a lower surface thereof and positioned toward a first side of the lid;

a pin passing through the aligned pin receiving openings for coupling the projection to the boss and for preventing significant rotational movement of the lid so as to maintain a desired rotational position of the condensate rim relative to the first end of the arm; and

wherein a cross-sectional size of the pin is smaller than a size of the pin receiving opening of the projection so that some spacing is provided between the pin and the pin receiving opening thereby enabling movement of the projection and the lid in multiple directions relative to the pin, where such movement includes movement other than pivotal movement about the pin;

wherein the lid includes a through hole and the projection comprises a portion of a member which extends through the through hole.

2 (Previously Presented). The steam kettle lid assembly of claim 1 wherein the elongated arm includes a pivoting connection at the first end for permitting movement thereof.

3 (Canceled).

4 (Canceled).

5 (Original). The steam kettle lid assembly of claim 1 wherein an end surface of the boss is spaced from the upper surface of the lid.

6 (Previously Presented). A steam kettle lid assembly, comprising:

an elongated arm movable between an upward position and a downward position, a downwardly extending boss positioned at an intermediate point along the arm, the boss including a pin receiving opening therein, the arm having a first end located away from the boss;

a lid including a centrally positioned projection extending from an upper surface thereof, the projection including a pin receiving opening therein, the projection positioned within the boss of the elongated arm with the pin receiving opening of the boss aligned with the pin receiving opening of the projection, the lid including a condensate rim extending from a lower surface thereof and positioned toward a first side of the lid;

a pin passing through the aligned pin receiving openings for coupling the projection to the boss and for preventing significant rotational movement of the lid so as to maintain a desired rotational position of the condensate rim relative to the first end of the arm; and

wherein a cross-sectional size of the pin is smaller than a size of the pin receiving opening of the projection so that some spacing is provided between the pin and the pin receiving opening thereby enabling movement of the projection and the lid in multiple directions relative to the pin, where such movement includes movement other than pivotal movement about the pin;

wherein the boss includes an opening through which the arm passes for securing the boss to the arm.

7-14 (Canceled).

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